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In re Application

Inventor(s): Christophe Pierrat et al.

Application No.: 09/675,197

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Title "Dissection Of Edges With Projection Points In A
Fabrication Layout For Correcting Proximity
Effects"

PATENT APPLICATION

Art Unit: 2812

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